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FIG. 1a

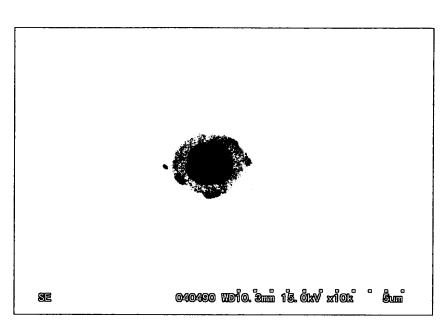
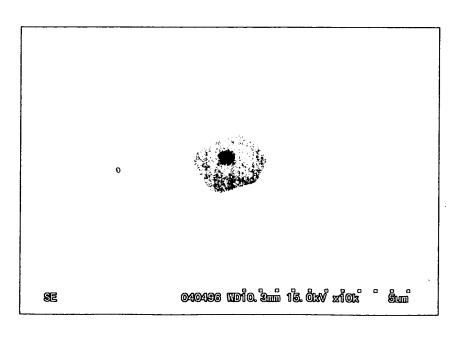


FIG. 1b



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FIG. 1c

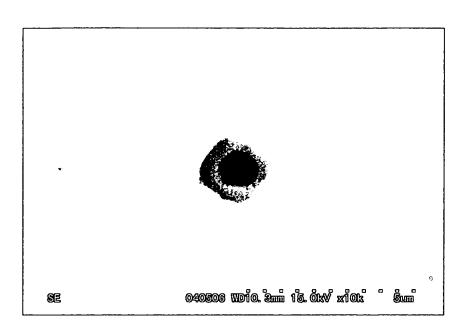
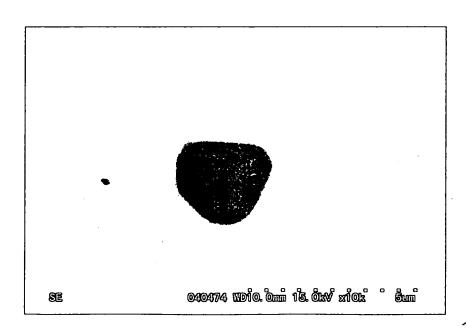


FIG. 2



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FIG. 3a



FIG. 3b



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FIG. 4a



FIG. 4b



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FIG. 5a



FIG. 5b



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FIG. 5c

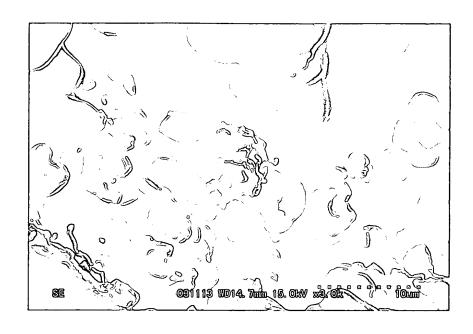


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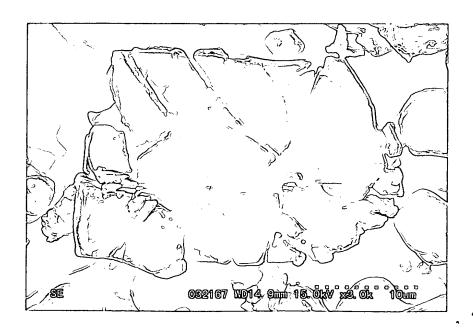
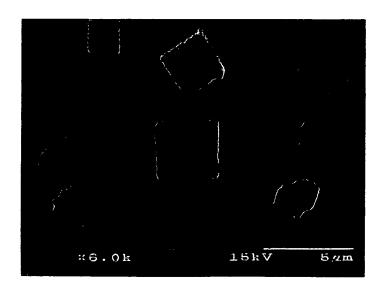


FIG. 6b



FIG. 7



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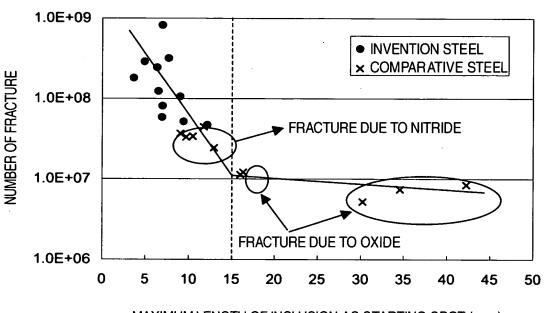
FIG. 8



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FIG. 9



MAXIMUM LENGTH OF INCLUSION AS STARTING SPOT (μ m)